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Decision No. _____

BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of)
SANTA FE TRANSPORTATION COMPANY, a)
corporation, for a certificate of)
public convenience and necessity)
authorizing realignment of certain)
routes in the vicinity of Visalia)
Airport.)

Application No. 41195

O P I N I O N

On June 3, 1959, applicant Santa Fe Transportation Company filed an application to reroute its service between Hanford and Visalia by reason of the construction of a new freeway on U. S. Highway 99 at its intersection with State Highway 198.

By Decision No. 49871, dated March 30, 1954, and amended by Decision No. 54661, dated March 12, 1957, applicant was authorized to conduct passenger stage service for the transportation of passengers and their baggage and shipments of newspapers in passenger-carrying vehicles only (1) between Los Angeles and Bakersfield and intermediate points, and (2) between Hanford and Porterville and intermediate points subject to certain restrictions.

Service between Hanford and Visalia over State Highway 198 has been performed for applicant by Orange Belt Stages, a common carrier, pursuant to contract with applicant filed with and approved by this Commission in Decision No. 45373, dated February 20, 1951, and amended by Decision No. 52873, dated April 10, 1956. Applicant's passengers have in the past been taken on, discharged, and interchanged with connecting carriers operating over U. S. Highway 99 at Plaza (Visalia Airport); however, the bus depot at this point has been demolished to allow construction of a freeway along U. S. Highway 99 in this area. As U. S. Highway 99 through Visalia Airport has been

fenced, there is no longer any place at this point where applicant can take on, discharge or interchange its passengers. A new depot is now available to applicant at a point known as Goshen Junction, one and one-half miles north of Visalia Airport on U. S. Highway 99. To permit applicant to use the Goshen Junction depot and to discontinue the use of the Visalia Airport depot, applicant has requested authority to realign its route as hereinafter authorized.

Copies of the application were mailed to Western Greyhound Lines, Transcontinental Bus System, and Orange Belt Stages, the only other common carriers serving the area involved. The existing competitive situation will not be changed by the proposed revision of applicant's rights.

No protest has been received by this Commission.

Applicant and Orange Belt Stages have agreed to a substitution of "Goshen Junction" for "Plaza" in the section of the contract naming points at which Orange Belt Stages has agreed to perform this service for applicant, and the parties are agreed that the terms and conditions of the contract shall be fully binding and effective as to Goshen Junction and no longer applicable as to Plaza. This modification is designed to effectuate the changes in applicant's service herein authorized. The contract as authorized in Decision No. 45373, in Application No. 32050, and as amended by Decision No. 52873, in Application No. 32050, First Supplemental, is authorized and approved as modified.

We find that public convenience and necessity require applicant to reroute its service between Hanford and Visalia.

We further find that public convenience and necessity require the issuance of a new certificate of public convenience and necessity to Santa Fe Transportation Company to operate as a passenger stage corporation and the order following shall supersede all

passenger stage operative rights held by applicant. Santa Fe Transportation Company presently holds a certificate of public convenience and necessity to operate as a highway common carrier. This decision in no way affects this latter certificate.

O R D E R

Application having been made, a public hearing not deemed necessary, the Commission having found that public convenience and necessity so require,

IT IS ORDERED:

(1) That a certificate of public convenience and necessity is granted to Santa Fe Transportation Company authorizing the establishment and operation of service as a passenger stage corporation, as that term is defined in Section 226 of the Public Utilities Code, for the transportation of passengers and their baggage and shipments of newspapers in passenger-carrying vehicles only (1) between Los Angeles and Bakersfield and intermediate points, and (2) between Hanford and Porterville and intermediate points as described and specified in Appendix A which is attached hereto and made a part hereof subject to the provisions, limitations and specifications contained therein.

(2) That in providing service pursuant to the certificate herein granted there shall be compliance with the following service regulations:

- (a) Within thirty days after the effective date hereof, applicant shall file a written acceptance of the certificate herein granted. By accepting the certificate of public convenience and necessity herein granted, applicant is placed on notice that applicant will be required, among other things, to file annual reports of applicant's operations and to comply with and observe the safety rules and other regulations of the Commission's

General Order No. 98. Failure to file such reports, in such form and at such times as the Commission may direct, or to comply with and observe the provisions of General Order No. 98, may result in a cancellation of the operating authority granted by this decision.

- (b) Within sixty days after the effective date hereof, and on not less than five days' notice to the Commission and the public, applicant shall establish the service herein authorized and file in triplicate, and concurrently make effective, tariffs and time schedules satisfactory to the Commission.

(3) That the operative rights granted to Santa Fe Transportation Company in Decision No. 49871 and amended by Decision No. 54661 shall stand revoked and annulled, said revocation and annulment to take effect concurrently with the effective date of tariff filings required by paragraph (2) (b) hereof.

The effective date of this order shall be twenty days after the date hereof.

Dated at San Francisco, California, this 21st day of July, 1959.

Elliott R. B. [Signature]
President
[Signature]
[Signature]
Therese J. [Signature]
Commissioners

By the certificate of public convenience and necessity granted in the decision noted in the margin, Santa Fe Transportation Company is authorized to transport in each direction passengers and their baggage and shipments of newspapers in passenger-carrying vehicles only (1) between Los Angeles and Bakersfield, (2) between Hanford and Porterville over and along the following described routes subject to the following conditions and restrictions:

(1) Los Angeles-Bakersfield Route

From the depot of the Santa Fe Transportation Company in Los Angeles via city streets through Hollywood and North Hollywood to Lankershim Boulevard, thence via Lankershim Boulevard to its junction with U. S. Highway 99, thence via U. S. Highway 99 to Bakersfield.

From the depot of the Santa Fe Transportation Company in Los Angeles via city streets to U. S. Highway 99, thence via U. S. Highway 99 to Bakersfield (serving Glendale, Burbank, and San Fernando).

From the depot of the Santa Fe Transportation Company in Los Angeles via city streets to Arroyo Seco Parkway, thence along Arroyo Seco Parkway, Avenue 26, North Figueroa Street, York Boulevard, Pasadena Avenue, Mission Street, Fair Oaks Avenue, Glenarm Street, Raymond Avenue, to The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company station in Pasadena, thence via Raymond Avenue, Colorado Street, Orange Street, Harvard Street to applicant's Glendale depot.

(2) Hanford-Porterville Route

From Hanford via California State Highway 198 to its junction with the County Highway known as 14th Avenue West, Tulare County, thence via said County Highway for a distance of approximately one mile to its junction with U. S.

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Highway 99 at the point known as Goshen Junction, thence via U. S. Highway 99, for approximately one and one-half miles to the junction point of U. S. Highway 99 and State Highway 198 at the point designated as Plaza (Visalia Airport) and thence along State Highway 198 to junction with California Highway 65, thence via California Highway 65 to Porterville.

Restrictions and Conditions

- (1) Only those passengers and their baggage who have a prior or a subsequent movement beyond Los Angeles or Bakersfield, or both, via the lines of The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company shall be transported between Los Angeles and Bakersfield. No transportation shall be performed locally between Los Angeles and Bakersfield and intermediate points.
- (2) No service shall be provided locally between Visalia and Goshen Junction and intermediate points. The right granted between Hanford and Porterville and intermediate points is subject to the contractual arrangement between Santa Fe Transportation Company and T. S., R. H., B. W., and M. Haworth, doing business as Orange Belt Stages, as authorized by the Commission's Decision No. 45373 dated February 20, 1951, and amended by Decision No. 52873 dated April 10, 1956.

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- (3) The passenger stage services of Santa Fe Transportation Company and Transcontinental Bus System, Inc., shall be co-ordinated and integrated with each other and with the rail service of The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railway Company. Said services shall provide for stopover privileges and for the interchange of tickets subject to the payment by the passenger or by a refund to the passenger, as the case may be, of the difference between rail fares and passenger stage fares.

Applicant is authorized to turn its motor vehicles at termini and intermediate points in either direction, at intersections of streets, or by operating around a block contiguous to such intersections, or in accordance with local traffic rules.

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